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TITLE: EQUIPMENT FOR EXTRACTING ROOT POST PROSTHETIC ELEMENTS OR IMPLANTS

Preliminary Amendment: ABSTRACT AMENDMENTS

On page 15, please amend the paragraph as follows:

The invention concerns ~~an~~ equipment for extracting root post prosthetic elements or implants, ~~consisting of, such as~~ an instrument including two levers (~~1A, 1B~~) assembled together by a pivoting and non-intersecting articulation (~~2~~), each of ~~said the~~ levers ~~thus comprising~~ having a handle (~~3A, 3B~~) and an extracting branch (~~4A, 4B~~) extending on either side of ~~said the~~ articulation (~~2~~) such that when the two handles (~~3A, 3B~~) are brought closer together, the two extracting branches (~~4A, 4B~~) are spaced apart. The ~~invention is characterized in that the~~ ends (~~4A', 4B'~~) of the extracting branches (~~4A, 4B~~) of ~~said the~~ instruments are curved so as to form an angle with the remaining part of ~~said the~~ branches, ~~and in that it comprises~~. There are U-shaped extracting end pieces (~~5A, 5B~~) designed to be removably positioned and pivotably mounted, at the curved ends (~~4A', 4B'~~) of the extracting branches (~~4A, 4B~~).